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I believe the entire matter has been a witch hunt and that Microsoft has been unfairly

targeted because it did it's job better than it's competition. As a consumer, I never minded that Interent Explorer has come loaded in all of my computers... and guess what? I've never used it! The governments meddling in private industry has cost millions and millions of dollars, and saddled Microsoft with a tremendous burden that will ultimately be passed on to consumers. How has the public interest really been served?

The reduced liability settlement is as fair as can be expected after so much time and

resources spent. As a citizen and consumer, I believe enough is enough. If Microsoft has actually committed a violation of anti-trust statutes, they have well paid a sufficient penalty. I urge all parties to this matter to act quickly to bring this unfortunate experience to a close.